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For: TNF INHIBITORS FOR THE
TREATMENT OF NEUROLOGICAL , :
RETINAL AND MUSCULAR
DISORDERS :

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

To place this application in better form for examination purposes, please amend the

Claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 49 and 66 to 99.

Please amend Claim 50 as follows:

50 (Amended). A method for inhibiting the action of TNF for treating muscular
[diseases] disorders and muscular inflammation in a human by administering a TNF
antagonist for reducing the inflammation of muscle of said human, or for modulating the
immune response affecting the muscle of said human, comprising the step of:

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